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EXPANSION AND HIGH SPECIFIC RIGIDITY AND
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Enclosed is completed form PTO-1449 listing references which may be of interest to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the listed references are also enclosed.

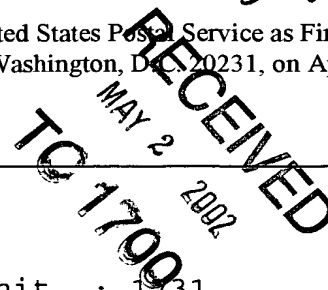
Listed U.S. Patent No. 6,265,334 is a counterpart of the listed Japan No. 11-343168.

The following listed references are discussed in the specification of the present application:

"Low Thermal Expansion Of Ceramics"

Japan No. 61-72679

Japan No. 10-53460



"Ceramic Pigments"

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A copy of Notice of Reasons For Rejection of the Japanese Patent Office, along with an English translation, of priority Japanese Patent Application No. 11-183109 is enclosed.

A copy of Japanese Patent Gazette No. P3133302, which is a grant, dated November 24, 2000, of a Japanese Patent on priority Japanese Patent Application No. 11-183109 is enclosed.

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